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**ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AMENDMENT REGULATION 2008 (No 1)**

**SUBORDINATE LAW SL2008-34**

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

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## OVERVIEW

The purpose of the Regulation is to prohibit the operation of firearm shooting ranges without an environmental authorisation (Part 8, Section 42 *Environment Protection Act 1997*).

The Regulation requires that a person must not operate a firearm shooting range unless they hold an environmental authorisation. The requirement to hold an environmental authorisation will allow the Environment Protection Authority to ensure that operators of firearm shooting ranges manage their operations appropriately to reduce the risk of harm to the environment, and in compliance with *Part 8* of the *Environment Protection Act 1997*.

The Regulation amends *Schedule 1* of the *Environment Protection Act 1997*.

The Regulation is made under *section 166* of the *Environment Protection Act 1997*.

## CLAUSE NOTES

### **Clause 1**      **Name of Regulation**

This clause provides that the name of the regulation is the *Environment Protection Amendment Regulation 2008 (No 1)*.

### **Clause 2**      **Commencement**

This clause is a formal provision that sets the commencement of the regulation. The regulation commences on the day after its notification day.

### **Clause 3**      **Legislation amended**

This clause provides that this regulation amends the *Environment Protection Act 1997*.

### **Clause 4**      **Schedule 1, section 1.1, new definitions**

This clause inserts the definitions of a number of terms relating to firearms. The definitions clarify which firearm shooting ranges will be required to hold an environmental authorisation.

### **Clause 5**      **Schedule 1, table 1.2, new item 47**

This clause provides for the addition of item 47 'the operation of a firearm shooting range'.